

VETO. THUS MEETING REPRESENTED SETBACK IN US- PANAMA RELATIONS FOR IT HARDENED US PUBLIC OPINION AND IRRITATED INFLUENTIAL MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. USG OF COURSE AGREES TO REVISION OF TREATY AND DESIRES A SETTLEMENT WHICH WOULD PUT US- PANAMANIAN RELATIONSHIP ON MODERN FOOTING AND WOULD TAKE INTERESTS OF BOTH PARTIES INTO ACCOUNT. AMB. MILLS SAID THAT JUST BEFORE LEAVING FOR PANAMA HE HAD SEEN AND BEEN FAVORABLY IMPRESSED BY USG AIDE MEMOIRE OUTLINING EXTENT OF CONCESSIONS US PREPARED TO OFFER PANAMA.

3. TURNING TO FORTHCOMING UNGA, AMB. SCALI SAID THAT PANAMANIAN ATTEMPT TO PLACE CANAL ISSUE ON UNGA WOULD BE VERY COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE SINCE HE WOULD BE " TWICE AS TOUGH" AS HE WAS IN PANAMA. AMB. MILLS APPEARED TO AGREE, NOTING THAT ISSUE SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM EMOTIONAL ATMOSPHERE SO THAT BOTH SIDES COULD MOVE AHEAD IN NEGOTIATIONS.

4. IN DISCUSSING JAMAICA'S ROLE ON INTERNATIONAL SCENE, AMB. MILLS SAID HIS " SMALL COUNTRY" HOPED TO PLAY " MARGINAL BALANCING ROLE" WITH RESPECT TO THREE DISTINCT GROUPS: LAS, US- UK- CANADA AND AFRICANS. AMB. SCALI EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER EMERGENCE OF MONOLITHIC LOC OF HAVE NOT NATIONS WHO PLACE BLAME FOR THEIR PROBLEMS ON US. AMB. MILLS SAID THAT EUROPE'S APPEARANCE AS POWERFUL NEW FORCE AND LAS RECENT WILLINGNESS TO RECOGNIZE THAT DIVERSE POLITICAL SYSTEMS CAN HAVE COMMON INTERESTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY DANGEROUS DEVELOPMENTS BUT REPRESENT CHALLENGES.

5. AMB. SCALI MENTIONED SECRETARY ROGERS' COMMENTS ON POPULATION CONTROL TO OASGA AS EXAMPLE US CONCERN WITH REAL PROBLEMS FACING LA AND AMB. MILLS, CITING HIS LONG INVOLVEMENT WITH POPULATION PROBLEMS, AGREED THAT JAMAICA HAD NOT MOVED AS RAPIDLY AS SHE MIGHT HAVE IN THIS TOP PRIORITY FIELD.

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